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1. In the spring of 1948, the Soviet authorities started a thorough dismantling of the installations at Peenemünde. The plant for the production of poison gas and phosphorus ammunition was dismantled and taken to the Soviet Union; although it was firmly built into concrete, it was removed without damage. Large quantities of gas bombs and other poisonous ammunition were dumped into the sea near Hornholm. On the other hand, all phosphorus products and phosphorus ammunition were treated differently; a portion was taken to Poland, or through Poland by rail, while the major part was sent to the Soviet Union by sea. Some phosphorus ammunition was also destroyed in Peenemünde itself, probably as an experiment; as a result, large fires were started and considerable damage was done, especially to the woods.
2. By the end of September 1948, all the launching ramps for V-weapons had been demolished. All cables, whether buried or submarine, were taken up and sent to the Soviet Union.
3. In general it can be stated that by the end of September 1948 at least 90% of all German installations for either the production or firing of German experimental weapons had been removed or destroyed.

Comment: The above report conflicts with other reports of rebuilding Peenemünde. It is forwarded in order to cover both possibilities as they are reported.)

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